

Call PIM- Progress In MPGDs

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| 5 | Napoli | Della Pietra Massimo | 7 | 1.3 | WP1, WP3 |
| 6 | Pavia | Riccardi Cristina | 6 | 1.5 | WP4 |
| 7 | Roma 3 | Iodice Mauro | 3 | 0.5 | WP1 |
| 8 | Trieste | Dalla Torre Silvia | 6 | 1.2 | WP1 |
| | Roma 1 (personal part.) | Pinci Davide | 1 | 0.1 | WP3 |
| | | Total | 63 | 14.7 | |

Goals and working packages

The goal of the three-year project denominated **Progress In MPGDs (PIM)** is to establish key issues in the field of MPGDs resulting in relevant steps forward respect to the present state-of-the-art:

the development of four novel MPGD architectures with complementary features and outstanding characteristics, the development of two MPGD-dedicated read-out FE electronics with diversified characteristics in order to match specific requirements in the sector, the complementary technological developments, and the implementation of specific MPGD applications beyond HEP in the field of neutron detection and in the medical sector.

1. Novel MPGD Architectures (G.Bencivenni)

1. R-WGEM
2. Multi μ gap-resistive well
3. High performance MICROMEGAS
4. High-gain hybrid MPGD

2. MPGD-dedicated FE (A.Ranieri)

1. Digital FE
2. Fast high density

3. MPGD-dedicated technological developments (S.Bianco)

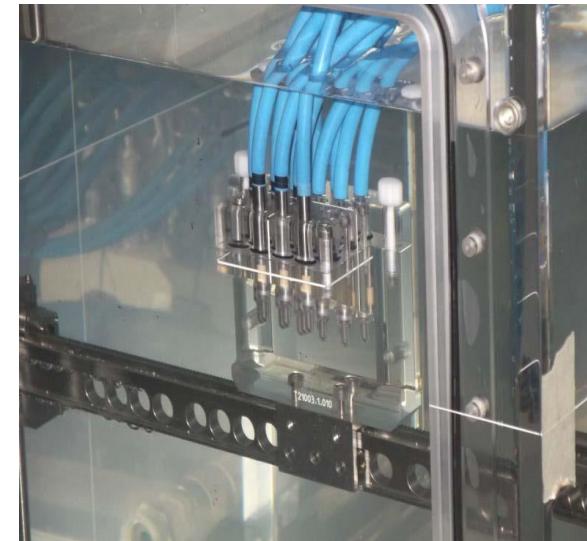
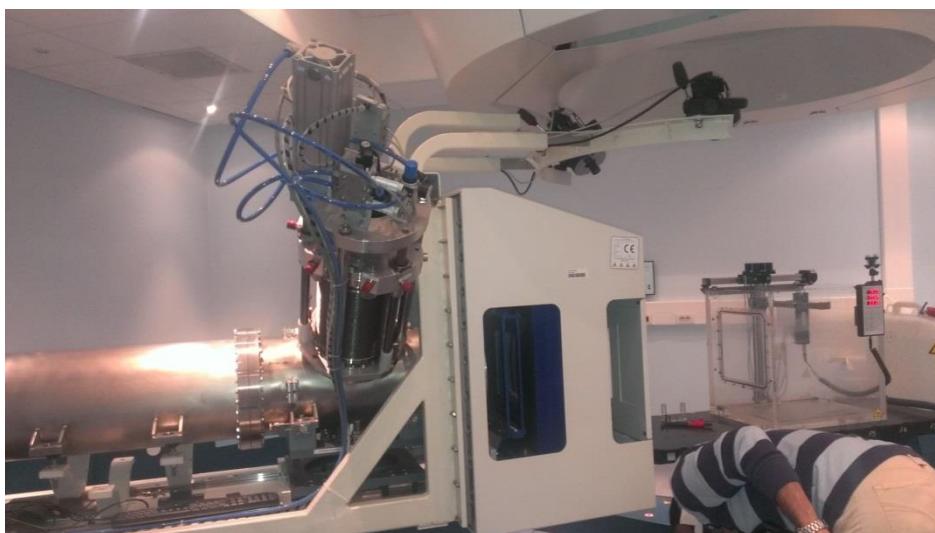
1. Streching & control systems
2. High-performance eco friendly gas mixtures

4. MPGD applications beyond HEP (F.Murtas)

1. Beam monitor for medical application
2. Fast and thermal neutron detection

Development of a triple GEM device for the physical and dosimetric characterization of particle beams in hadrontherapy

- **state-of-the-art:** In the CNAO facility, the dosimetric system is able to host up to 24 pin-point ICs aligned in six rows in a way that none of them perturbs the other ones. The ionization chambers are inside a water phantom.



- **requirements:**

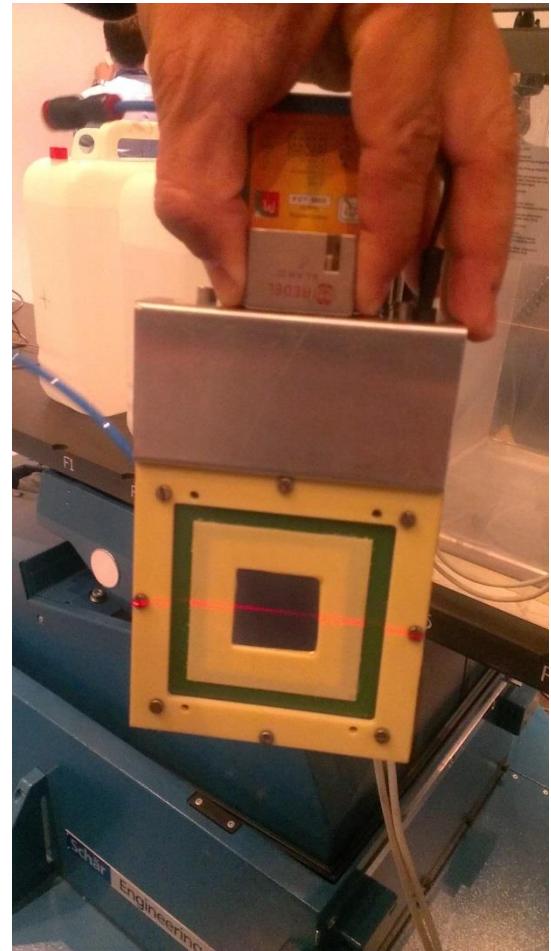
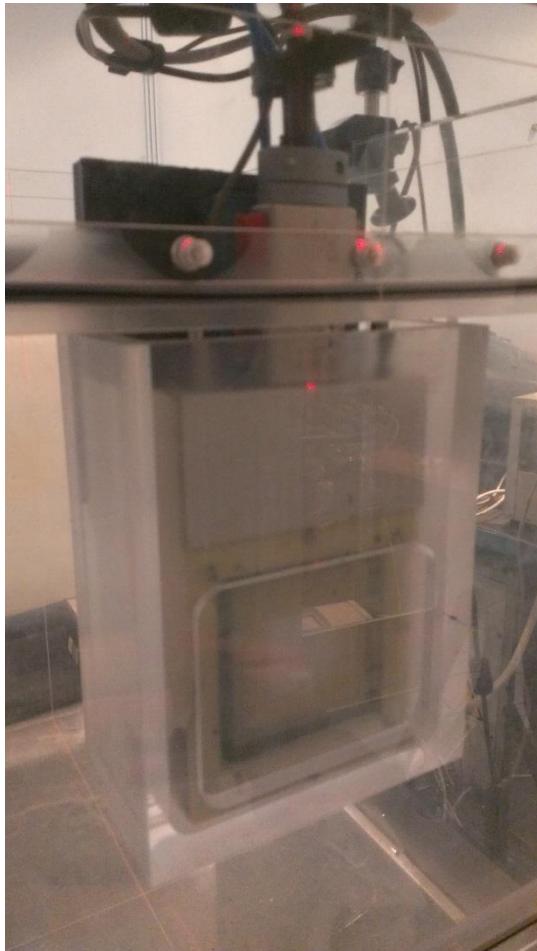
- Size: $15 \times 15 \text{ cm}^2$, according to the treatment plan requirements.
- good resolution
- optimal radiation background control
- good linearity and uniformity of the response

High granularity
time saving
cost reduction

Sinergie

- Gruppo Ardent: F. Murtas et al
 - Sviluppo di tripla GEM (GEMPIX) per beam monitor con area attiva $2,8 \times 2,8 \text{ cm}^2$ e pad 55 μm oppure GEM $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$ e pad di qualche mm..
 - Protoni e ioni C con e senza fantoccio
- LENA: flusso max termici $1.17 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$; flusso veloci ($E_n > 3 \text{ MeV}$) $9.4 \times 10^4 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$, per $E_n > 1.6 \text{ keV}$ il flusso è $4.39 \times 10^7 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
 - valutazioni di effetti di neutroni secondari su rivelatore
- BTF –Frascati (Linac con frequenza di 50 impulsi al secondo e $\sim 10^7$ - 10^{10} particelle per impulso, in un range di energia di 300-750 MeV per gli elettroni e 300-550 MeV per i positroni)
 - detector occupancy e risposta a neutroni
- CNAO: max 10^{10} p per spill, 4×10^8 C6+ per spill con energie tra 63 MeV e 250 MeV per p e tra 120 MeV/u e 400 MeV/u per ioni carbonio

Ardent setup at CNAO: Murtas et al.



GEMPIX:

Numero pixel: 512 x 512

Dimensione pixel: 55 μm x 55 μm

Lettura mediante la cosiddetta «[Bluebox](#)» (chip TIMEPIX 1)

Sezione QUADRATA

Viene messa all'interno di una [box di PMMA](#) con finestra frontale di 2 mm.

Sistemata nel fantoccio motorizzato riempito di acqua.

Fantoccio all'isocentro.

Ogni spill viene scansionato 43 volte. Le 43 slices vengono analizzate alla fine della misura → no dead time → calcolo corretto numero di particelle → dose corretta

GEM:

Numero pixel: 128 x 128

Dimensione pixel: 2 mm x 2 mm

Lettura mediante chip [CARIOCA](#) ed FPGA (montato lontano dalla GEM per evitare esposizione sotto il fascio)

Sezione CIRCOLARE

Pad in rame dorato

La GEM è montata su di un cavalletto tripode e posta vicino al nozzle

Piano di Misure

- Characterization of the detector configuration and readout electronics : check of the linearity, uniformity and stability of the detector response, the gain calibration and the detection efficiency
 - Cosmic rays in CMS lab
 - Gamma/electron at the Beam Test Facility (Frascati)
- Study of effects on GEM of secondary neutrons from the CNAO primary beam. (LENA ,BTF)
- Measurements at CNAO with proton and carbon ion beams with and without water phantom.
- Preliminary energy calibrations to tune the electronics readout and the linearity of the detector response.
- All the measurements will be supported by **Geant4 simulations** focused on a detailed description of the GEM detector, positioned on the CNAO beam line with different phantom implementations.
- Comparisons with present detection techniques (ionization chambers).

Anagrafica Pavia

| Nome | FTE |
|-------------------|-----|
| Ferrari Roberto | 20% |
| Riccardi Cristina | 20% |
| Rimoldi Adele | 10% |
| Salvini Paola | 20% |
| Tamborini Aurora | 50% |
| Vitulo Paolo | 30% |

Totale 1.5 FTE

Project Timeline PV

| task | 4.1 | PAVIA | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|---|------|----|----|----|------|----|----|----|------|----|----|----|
| | | | 2015 | | | | 2016 | | | | 2017 | | | |
| | | | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| | | simulations of beam delivery line for the beam profile definition at the irradiation position | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | study of the optimal readout granularity | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | characterization of existing GEM prototypes | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | measurements with existing prototypes of the dose profile uniformity | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | development of a new detector | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | characterization of the new detector: simulations, measurements with X-ray source | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | test in laboratory with cosmic rays | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | neutron sensitivity studies | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | measurements at CNAO with protons and carbon ions | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Milestones

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|---|-----|--|--|---------|--|
| | | | the triple GEM detector for dose profile | | report: triple GEM performance at CNAO |
| 4 | 4.1 | beam monitoring for medical applications | measurements | 2016-Q3 | |

Preventivi

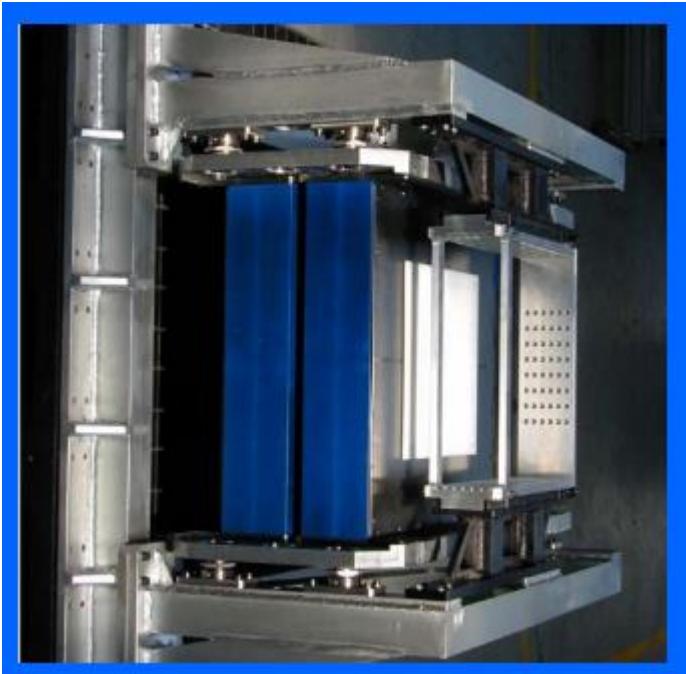
| | | | INFN unit | PAVIA | | |
|-------------|--|------|-----------|-------|------|-------|
| | | Year | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | Total |
| Consumables | two GEM prototypes (small and large) | | 10 | 5 | | 15 |
| | setup at CNAO | | | 10 | | 10 |
| | targets for measurements with neutrons | | | 2 | | 2 |
| | neutrons irradiation | | | 2 | | 2 |
| | laboratory consumables | | 6 | 6 | 5 | 17 |
| | protons and ions irradiation | | | | 10 | 10 |
| Equipments | HV GEM | | 4 | | | 4 |
| | readout electronics | | 5 | 10 | | 15 |
| | phantom | | 15 | | | 15 |
| | | | | | | 0 |
| | | | | | | 0 |
| Travelling | PIM annual meeting | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| | material procurement (GEM and readout integration) | | 1 | 1 | | 2 |
| | test beam (BTF) | | | | 5 | 5 |
| | | | | | | |

2015 → Consumables: 16K - Equipments: 24K – Travelling 2K

Richieste Servizi 2015: Officina Meccanica 1mu - Elettronica 1mu

backup





Box 1 and box 2:

- 2 large-area integral chambers (fluence measurement)
- 2 strip chambers (spot position)
- 1 pixel chamber (fluence and position)

BTF neutrons

- Number of neutrons proportional to the electron beam power:

$$P = \text{rate} \times \text{energy} = [N \times f] \times E$$

- N = number of particles per bunch (let's consider 1)
- f = frequency (up to 49 Hz)
- E = beam energy (usually 510, up to 800)

Maximum power: 40 W at 510 MeV

- From Swanson's empirical formula

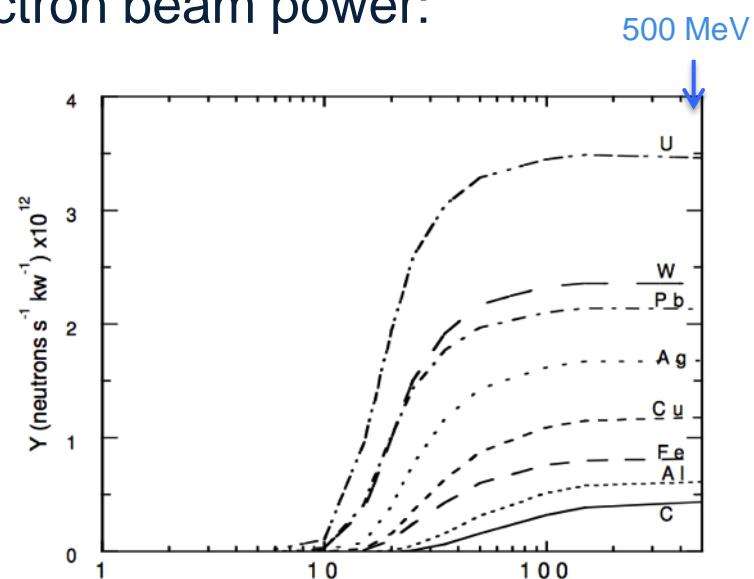
- 10^{11} n/s for Tungsten
- 20% on Lead, +50% on Uranium

With 1.1×10^{11} n in the target:

- 8.8×10^8 n/cm²/s exiting from the target
- 1.87×10^{10} $\gamma/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$ exiting from the target

| d (m) | $\times 10^{-7}$ n/cm ² /pr |
|----------|---|
| 0.5 | 58 |
| 1 | 15 |
| 1.5 | 8 |

| d (m) | $\times 10^{-5}$ $\gamma/\text{cm}^2/\text{pr}$ |
|----------|--|
| 0.5 | 63 |
| 1 | 5.7 |
| 1.5 | 1 |



At 1.5 m distance:

Total neutron flux: 8×10^{-7} n/cm²/pr $\pm 3\%$

Flux = 4.5×10^5 n/cm²/s

Equivalent dose = 45 mSv/h

At 1.5 m distance

Total photon flux = 1×10^6 $\gamma/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$

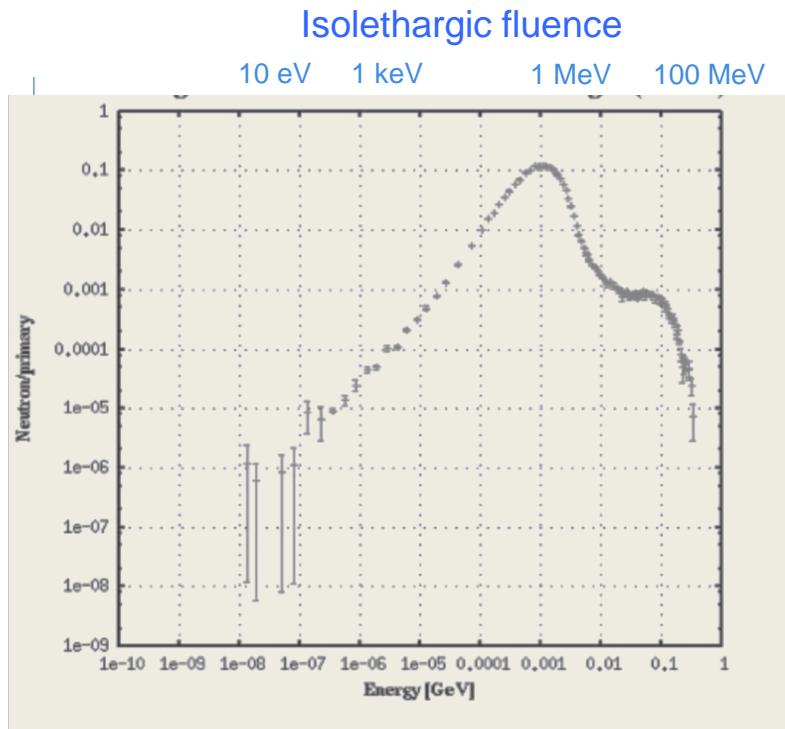


Table 2. DAΦNE BTF Electron, positron, gamma, neutron beam characteristics.

| Operation mode | Electrons positrons | Gammas | Neutrons |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Energy range [MeV] | 25-500 25 – 750 (*) | 100-500 100-750(*) | 10^{-9} -200 |
| Repetition rate [Hz] | | 20 – 49 49 (*) | |
| Pulse duration [ns] | | 10 1 or 10 (*) | |
| Multiplicity | 1 up to 10^5 1 up to 10^{10} | | $4.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$ n/cm ² /electron |
| Duty cycle [%] | | ~ 80% ~ 96 % (*) | ~ 40% ~ 96% (*) |
| Spot size ($\sigma_x \times \sigma_y$) [mm] | ~ 2x2 ~ 5.5x5.5 | >20 | - |
| Divergence [mrad] | ~ 1 - 1.7 | > 15 | - |
| Energy resolution | < 1% | 7% | - |